

Subcommittee on Shipbuilding
of the
Economic Intelligence Committee

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A. Activities of the Subcommittee

The Subcommittee meets monthly at the all-source NOFORN level in [redacted] These meetings are a major forum for the discussion of shipbuilding intelligence on Communist China, the Soviet Union and the European Communist Nations. Special emphasis is placed on the technical aspects and production rates of naval shipbuilding, shipyard development is also carefully followed.

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B. The Role of the Subcommittee

Over the past two years the monthly meetings have averaged an attendance of about 40 persons. These persons include senior and junior naval officers and civilian analysts from DIA, CIA, NPIC, NRTSC, ONI, STIC and NSA. The meetings usually last about two and one half hours and about six - seven informal papers are presented, many of these papers are published later by the various agencies or used for high-level briefings.

Discussions encompass a broad area covering economic, military and technical data. Of particular value these meetings provide a monthly opportunity to discuss the projects being worked on in the different agencies, thus avoiding the duplication of intelligence production in this field.

C. Future Program of the Subcommittee

The Subcommittee concerns itself routinely with the Priority National Intelligence Objectives since discussions during the meetings usually bear on the current PNIO.

The Subcommittee plans to continue the current program during 1967 and undertake any project as requested by the EIC.

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DIA review(s) completed.

NAVY MATERIEL PRODUCTION DIVISION (DIAAP-7F)

1. Missions and Functions

a. Develops and maintains the worldwide military intelligence data base and produces intelligence on:

(1) Construction and repair of merchant and naval ships to include construction and repair facilities and dependence on foreign sources.

(2) Manufacture of naval armaments.

(3) Magnitude and composition of non-U.S. Navy material assistance programs except training and technical.

b. Assess the military significance of these industries.

c. Assesses the relative importance and vulnerability of naval armament and ship construction repair facilities which possess current or potential target significance.

d. Prepares, or monitors the preparation of, inputs from the intelligence data base for entry into an automated file.

e. Reviews data submitted to the Assistant Director for Intelligence Production through the Field Automated Intelligence File (F/AIF) system, on items for which the Division is responsible, and validates the data for entry into the intelligence data base.

2. Basic Intelligence Production

The Navy Materiel Production Division produces basic intelligence worldwide on naval shipbuilding and is responsible for the production of naval armaments.

a. Studies produced include:

(1) Foreign Ship Construction and Shipyards (FOSCAS). Publication is designed to provide readily usable, accurate, and up-to-date information concerning the characteristics and capabilities of foreign ship construction and shipyards worldwide. The East German and [] studies have been published and the [] and Polish publications are nearly complete. Studies are published at the collateral security level.

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- (2) Defense Intelligence Digest Feature Articles.
- (3) NIS 64E. (Worldwide)
- (4) Shipyard Support to NIS Section 35 Ports. (Worldwide)
- (5) Shipyard Support to NIS Section 33 Inland Waterway. (Worldwide)
- (6) Shipbuilding Support to NIE's.
- (7) Shipbuilding Support to OIEP's.
- (8) Shipbuilding and Industry Support to the Amphibious Objective Study (AOS).
- (9) Contribution to Foreign Military Assistance (FOMA).
- (10) Is Responsible for the Automated Intelligence File (AIF) in our Subject Categories.

3. Intelligence Produced for Other Agencies

a. The Navy Materiel Production Division produces studies and long-range estimates on shipbuilding and shipyard capabilities for the Chief of Naval Operations, ONI, and Unified and Specified Commands as directed.

b. In the past year several lengthy and detailed studies have been in the fields of naval and commercial shipbuilding and of shipyard analysis. Other studies for the Navy are presently being prepared.

4. Miscellaneous

a. The division presently chairs the EIC Subcommittee on Shipbuilding and also supports this committee by preparing informal briefings on our subject field.

b. The division levels requests for intelligence to the Attache system and briefs and debriefs the Attaches worldwide.